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WEEKS et al.

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FOR MAKING AND USING
TRANSGENIC DICAMBA-
DEGRADING ORGANISMS"

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) AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to a non-final Office Action having a mailing date of May 28, 2004. Enclosed herewith is a request for a three month extension of time, with the requisite fee, to extend the time for responding from August 28, 2004 to November 28, 2004.

Applicants have previously paid filing fees, surcharge, excess claim fees, and a multiple dependent surcharge for a large entity in the amount totaling \$3640, with \$2450 of this amount paying for the excess total and independent claims fees. After entry of the amendments below, the application will contain 55 total claims (35 excess claims) and 32 independent claims (29 excess independent claims), totaling \$3182. Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$732 which is believed to cover the additional claims fees (\$3182 minus \$2450) for a large entity beyond what was previously paid. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

No other fees are believed to be due in connection with this response, but in the event that fees are due, please debit Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Please amend and reconsider the above-identified patent application as follows.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

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